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Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Surface Transportation Board Finance Docket No. 34675; BNSF Railway Company – Trackage Rights Exemption – The Kansas City Southern Railway Company

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed please find the original Verification in connection with the Verified Notice of Exemption which was filed on March 16, 2005, in the above-referenced-docket. I would appreciate it if you would date-stamp the extra copy of this letter and return it to the messenger for our files. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

South W. Bell 4/015

Sarah W. Bailiff

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VERIFICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TARRANT

Ronald L. Harding being duly sworn, deposes and says that he has read the foregoing notice of exemption and that the contents thereof are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Ronald L. Harding

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of March, 2005.

Notary Pu

My Commission expires:

April 30, 2008

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